REMARKS

Claims 1-41 have been canceled without prejudice to pursue those claims in a future application. Claims 42-65 are new. An RCE Transmittal is enclosed herewith.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner rejected claims 21-41 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,995,608 ("Detampel"). Each of the new claims 42-65, contains at least one limitation not taught or suggested by Detampel, and therefore the rejection is improper as to the newly presented claims.

For example, independent claim 42 includes the limitation of "a memory for storing one or more files containing conference data distributed by said conference server via said computer network during a data conference," which is not disclosed or suggested by Detampel.

Similarly, independent claim 50 includes the limitation of "receiving one or more files containing conference data distributed by said conference server via said computer network during said data conference," which is not disclosed or suggested by Detampel.

Also, independent claim 53 includes the limitation of "distributing one or more files comprising conference data to said data conference participants over said computer network," which is not disclosed or suggested by Detampel.

Similarly, independent claim 58 includes the limitation of "transmitting one or more files comprising conference data to said conference server for distribution to said at least one conference endpoint via said computer network during said data conference," which is not disclosed or suggested by Detampel.

Furthermore, independent claim 59 includes the limitation of "receiving one or more files comprising conference data distributed by said conference server via said computer network during said data conference," which is not disclosed or suggested by Detampel.

Finally, independent claim 60 includes the limitation of "a memory for storing one or more files containing conference data distributed by said conference server via said computer network during a data conference," which is not disclosed or suggested by Detampel.

Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are allowable over the cited art, and requests that a Notice of Allowance issue for these claims. If the Examiner has any questions or issues that can be resolved via telephone, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 512-473-2550.

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